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Did a doctor ever tell you that you had asthma?

- In 2000, 11% of adult Montanans reported that they had ever been told that they had asthma.
- Adults aged 18 to 24 (15%) were more likely to report having ever been told they had asthma than adults aged 65 and older (7%).

Do you still have asthma?

- Of the 11% of Montanans ever told that they had asthma, 75% reported in the 2000 survey that they still had asthma.
- Small sample size and broad confidence intervals obscure differences among subpopulations.

Do you currently have asthma?

- In 2000, the self-reported prevalence of adults aged 18 and older who currently have asthma was estimated to be 8%.
- There appear to be no discernable differences among subpopulations for current asthmatics.

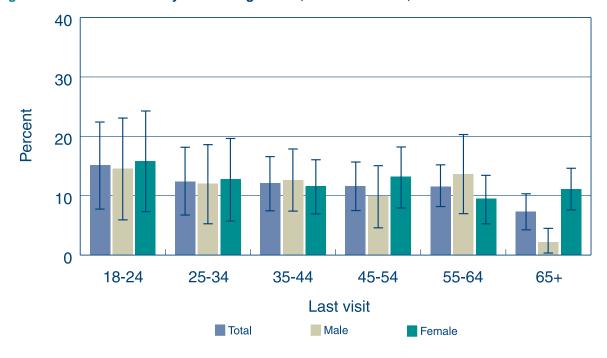
Note: Current asthma is defined as having answered "yes" to: "Have you ever been told by a doctor that you have asthma?" and "Do you still have asthma?" The denominator includes all respondents, excluding those who either "refused" to answer one or more of the asthma questions or responded "don't know/not sure."

Table 10. Asthma, Montana Adults, 2000 (with 95% confidence intervals). Ever told you have Still have asthma* asthma Currently have asthma** Tota **Total Total** CI CI CI No. **WT.**% No. **WT.**% No. **WT.% All Adults:** 2000 3014 11.4 9.9-13.0 324 74.9 68.6-81.2 3007 8.3 7.0-9.6 Sex: 10.6 70.3 59.6-80.9 5.2-9.1 Male 1289 8.3-13.0 115 1286 7.2 71.2-85.9 12.2 209 78.6 9.4 Female 1725 10.2-14.2 1721 7.5-11.2 Age: 18-24 228 15.2 9.1-21.2 31 227 10.4 5.0-15.7 417 12.4 8.5-16.3 50 74.4 60.5-88.3 415 8.5 25-34 5.2-11.8 35-44 676 12.1 8.7-15.5 75 78.7 66.9-90.4 675 9.5 6.4-12.5 45-54 11.6 69 645 7.9 646 8.2-15.0 68.8 53.7-83.8 5.1-10.7 55-64 417 11.6 7.1-16.0 49 416 8.3 4.6-12.0 65 +626 7.3 4.7-9.8 50 84.5 70.0-99.0 625 5.9 3.7-8.1 **Education:** <High School 285 14.7 9.1-20.3 44 284 10.8 6.0-15.5 85 63.9-89.3 975 5.4 976 7.2 5.2-9.1 76.6 High School 3.7-7.1 905 12.1 9.1-15.2 97 77.4 66.5-88.2 902 9.2 6.4-12.0 Some College 846 14.0 10.9-17.2 97 70.8 59.5-82.1 844 9.5 6.8-12.1 College Degree Income: 290 19.2 12.8-25.6 56 62.9 44.3-81.5 288 11.1 6.6-15.6 <\$15,000 \$15,000 - \$24,999 635 11.1 7.9-14.2 68 75.8 62.0-89.6 634 8.1 5.4-10.8 902 10.1 7.7-12.6 93 74.1 62.9-85.2 900 5.2-9.5 \$25,000 - \$49,999 7.3 \$50,000 - \$74,999 320 9.9 5.4-14.5 28 319 6.3 2.6-10.0 \$75,000+ 200 16.0 8.8-23.2 20 200 11.3 5.2-17.4 Race: White, non-Hispanic 2597 11.1 9.5-12.7 272 73.3 66.4-80.3 2591 7.8 6.5-9.2 76.1-95.4 407 15.4 9.5-21.2 51 85.7 406 13.1

Non-white or Hispanic

7.3-18.9

Figure 9. Lifetime Asthma by Sex and Age Class, Montana Adults, 2000.



^{*} Denominator is persons who were ever told they have asthma

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